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Safety Alert

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Date: April 18, 1991

TO: Facility Safety Head
              Facility Coordinators
              Contractor Safety Representatives

FROM: 429/Safety Manager, Safety Engineering Branch, SSQRD

SUBJECT: Office Chair Recall

Office chairs produced under GSA contracts GS-00F-022417 and GS-00F-12309 between June 1989 and January 1991 were determined to have a safety problem. To identify the specific chairs involved, inspect the white manufacturing label which is located on the bottom side of the chair seat and review the date of manufacture and national stock number. Additionally, only those units with a T700 mechanism as depicted on the reverse side are affected by this safety alert. Chairs that have the T675 mechanism with an exposed spring as shown in the diagram are not affected.

If the date of manufacture is within the dates mentioned above and the nation stock number is in the list below or the chair uses the T700 mechanism, we recommend that the chair be removed from service immediately. Continued use of the chair could result in the development of fatigue cracks in the mechanism around the spindle bracket where the height adjusting spindle is inserted. These failures could result in the chair separating from the spindle, potentially causing serious personal injury.

National Stock Numbers (NSN)

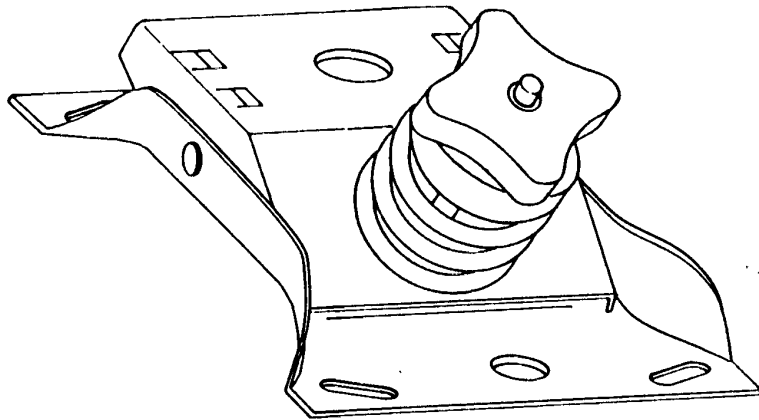|	
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Facility Safety Heads, Facility Coordinators and Contractor Safety Representatives, with government furniture, are to inspect the suspect chairs and remove them from service. Call Ms. Brenda Spencer at 43563 or Mr. Rick Stanley at 46335 with specific information on chairs in your facility.

Data must be received within 5 days of receipt of this notice to ensure replacement through GSA. Your continued excellent safety support is appreciated.

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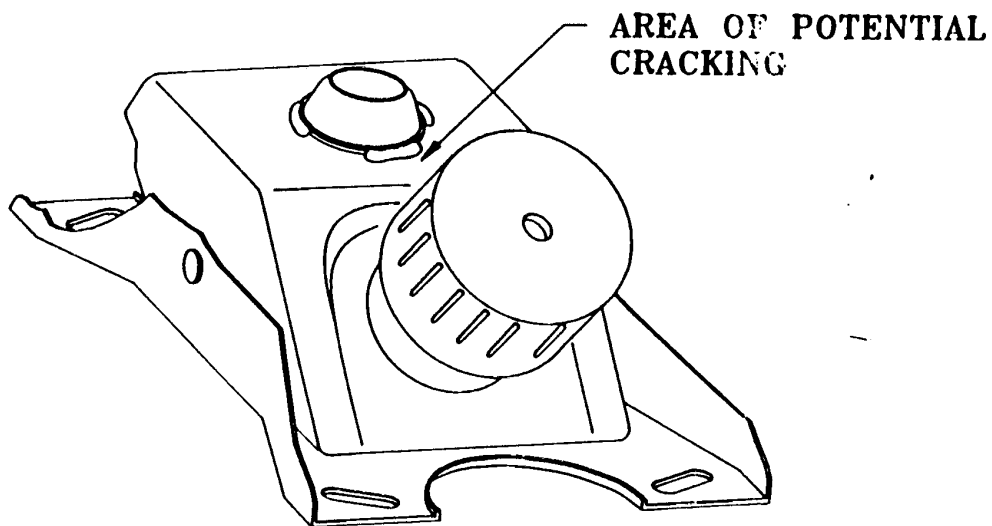## T675 Mechanism

ACCEPTABLE — DO NOT REMOVE FROM SERVICE

AREA OF POTENTIAL
CRACKING

T700 Mechanism

— REMOVE FROM SERVICE —